

Wickenburg Area Drainage Master Study/Plan

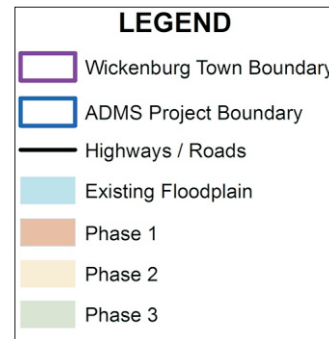
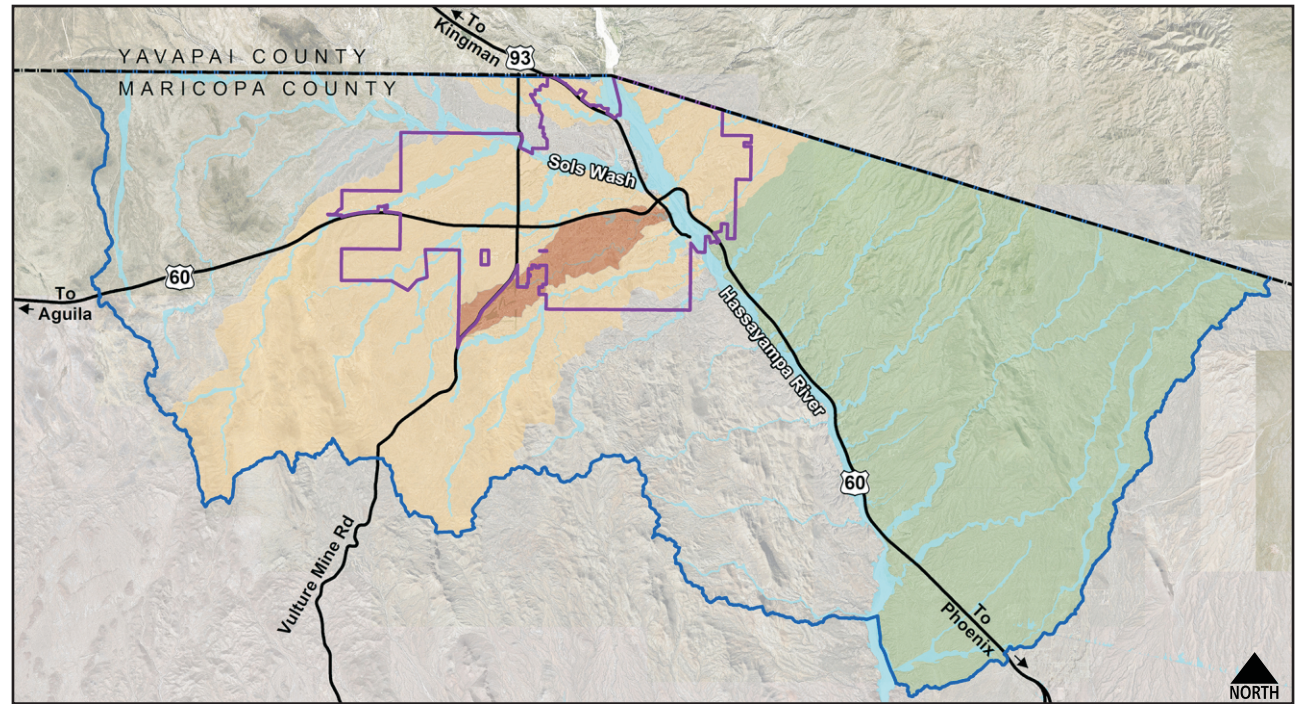
The Flood Control District of Maricopa County (District), in partnership with the Town of Wickenburg (Town), is currently working to update the original Wickenburg Area Drainage Master Study (ADMS), which was completed in 1994. This study identifies known and potential flooding and erosion hazards in the Wickenburg area. The ADMS/P is being completed in three phases as shown on the graphic and described below.

Phase 1

Phase 1, which was completed in 2011, identified the current floodplain and flood hazards for Sunset Wash and Sunnycove Wash. The results of the flood hazard study for the Phase 1 area were approved by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) was issued for the studied area. This LOMR, which became effective on August 24, 2012, provides the most up-to-date picture of the flood risks along Sunset Wash and Sunnycove Wash.

Phase 2

The District began Phase 2 in February 2011 and has now completed mapping the floodplain boundaries along approximately 80 linear miles of washes within the Town, as well as drainage areas in the surrounding areas that contribute to Town washes. The final results were sent to FEMA for review and approval. Once approved, they will be used to update the Flood Insurance Rate Maps. At the August 14 public open house, the District will again present the maps of the updated floodplain boundaries.



Phase 3

The District has initiated a study on approximately 30 linear miles of washes for the identification and mapping of flooding hazards in Phase 3. This phase is targeted for completion by the end of 2013. The draft study results will be presented at the August 14 public open house. The proposed changes in floodplain boundaries can ultimately affect local building and federal flood insurance requirements.

Other Areas and Future Studies

Due to funding limitations, the District is currently unable to study the entire ADMS/P, however, additional studies may be initiated by the District and/or Town in the future to complete the remaining areas. Additionally, the District and/or Town may initiate planning studies for recommended solutions to the identified flooding hazards. These studies could include structural flood control facilities such as channels and basins, or non-structural methods such as development codes, to help reduce and manage flooding in areas identified with particular flooding concerns.

You are Invited to a
Public Open House
Thursday, August 15, 2013
5:30–7:30PM

Wickenburg Community Center
160 North Valentine Street
Wickenburg, Arizona

Your Input Counts

The upcoming public open house is being held to help local residents and business owners understand the proposed changes in floodplain boundaries and the potential effect of those boundaries on specific properties and the community as a whole. Area property owners are encouraged to attend to learn more about these changes and the study, as well as to share their knowledge of flooding in the area (e.g. experiences, issues, photos). Please bring any flooding photos to the public open house where they will be scanned for use in the District's data collection efforts.

Stay up-to-date by visiting the District's website at www.fcd.maricopa.gov/ads/WickenburgADMS.htm.

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